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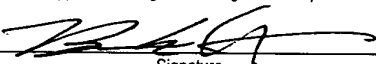
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A DISPLAY PANEL, METHOD FOR ADHERING  
AN ADHESIVE SHEET AND METHOD FOR  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action, dated May 27, 2003, be extended for two months to October 27, 2003.

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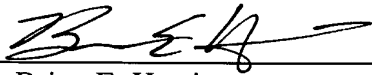
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A response to the Office Action, dated May 27, 2003, is filed concurrently herewith.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization for the two month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) is submitted herewith. In the event that the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization is not present, is not sufficient, or is not acceptable, please charge any fee (other than issue fee) required during the pendency of this U.S. patent application to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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